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For: TENSIONING ELEMENT, ESPECIALLY)
LASHING STRAPS, OCTOPUS)
STRAPS AND RECEIVING NETS (As)
Amended))

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows: